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**REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION OF ACTION**

Dear Sir:

The Office Action mailed June 24, 2009 is at hand.

The Office Action Summary, form PTOL-326 includes amongst the various claims as indicated as being rejected claims 72-93. However, on page 23 of the Action, the Examiner indicates, in cipher 16, claims 76-79, 82, 84 and 92 as being allowable if rewritten in independent form. Further down on the same page of the Action, the Examiner lists claims 76, 77, 83 and 92 as being allowable over the art. However, on page 21, cipher 14 of the Action, the Examiner rejects claim 82 as being obvious from the art.

Accordingly, it is not 100% clear which claims the Examiner intended to indicate as allowable.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to issue a corrected Action, and to reset the term for response to run from the date of mailing of the corrected Action.

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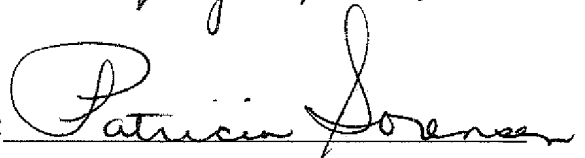
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